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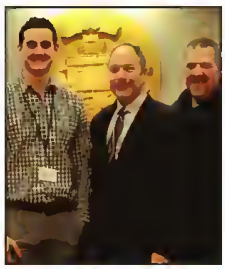

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Doors open for holiday house tour

Liz Hawley of Refuge Antiques and Giftery will decorate the home of Diane Fahlman on Samuel Street in the Village for the 17th annual NOTL Rotary Club Holiday House Tour. With them is Martin Quick, Rotary member and one of the organizers of the tour. For story see page 14.

Penny Coles/Niagara Advance

Conflict continues with second apology demanded

Suzanne Mason
Special to the Advance

A complaint by a Niagara-on-the-Lake town councillor about a Facebook post by another councillor has been resolved, but Lord Mayor Pat Darte was asked Monday to making a ruling about the behaviour of another member of council, Jim Collard.

Councillor Paolo Miele apologized to Coun. Betty Disero on his Facebook page Saturday for using her name in a post about the hiring of two new town staff. Disero had risen on a point of personal privilege last week, saying her rights as a council member had been infringed by the post and asked Darte to make a decision on the issue.

Darte ruled in favour of Disero's motion regarding her request for an apology. He said since it has been issued, there would be no further debate.

"I don't believe our residents are pleased with the general behaviour of councillors in these chambers," he said. "When we enter these chambers, please have your agendas, prejudices and especially your negativity, left outside."

Darte said he will start this process by promising to deal with matters that come up at the council table better.

"I now ask each and every one to come together as a team to deliver what we promised our residents within a positive and respectful environment," he said. "We've already accomplished a lot of work which sometimes gets overshadowed by situations like we've had recently."

Coun. Martin Mazza

Coun. Martin Mazza raised a point of personal privilege prior to Darte's ruling Monday regarding comments made by Collard last week when he suggested that council spend more time reviewing the proposed 2016 budget.

Collard had risen on a point of order when Mazza was speaking, suggesting that it was "ludicrous" for council to have more discussions about the budget, considering some councillors did not attend the workshops held by staff.

Mazza had responded "I will not be offended by being rudely interrupted" and Collard left the meeting shortly afterward.

"At the conclusion of the councillor's rant, I still had the floor," said Mazza. "That's when the meeting went a little haywire and I did get offended."

He said Collard violated the town's procedural bylaw by interrupting a councillor who was speaking.

"One's opinion or point of view does not fall under a point of order," said Mazza, adding that Collard also violated another section of the bylaw by using offensive words.

"To date, there has been no apology or attempt to reconcile by the councillor," he added.

Coun. Jim Collard

Mazza also took exception to Darte telling him "three times within a span of 40 seconds" that his remarks about Collard's interruption were "uncalled for".

Mazza said he would not impose the same restrictions on Darte as Disero, who told the lord mayor not to "have a coffee or a beer with any member of council" to discuss her complaint prior to his ruling.

"Things need to change around this table," said Mazza. "We have three more years to work together... In order to do that, we all have to check our egos at the door and focus on positive energies and issues and not personalities."

Darte will rule on Mazza's point of personal privilege at the next council meeting Dec. 14.

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Conservancy wants to protect trees on private and public property

Suzanne Mason
Special to the Advance

The Niagara-on-the-Lake Conservancy wants the town to pass a bylaw to provide protection for trees and plans for those that are dead or dying on public and private property in the urban areas.

Representatives of the group appealed to town council Monday to enact legislation that will include permits for cutting down trees, penalties and tree replacement regulations.

"Regardless of whether trees grow on private or public land, the removal or damage to trees needs to be monitored and/or managed by the town of Niagara-on-the-Lake," said Sandra O'Connor, chair of a special committee of the Conservancy.

"An urban tree bylaw would plug any loopholes allowing developers to clear cut urban woodlots."

She said urban trees provide many benefits to the community including increasing property values, combating climate change, helping to prevent water pollution and soil erosion, and reducing noise.

"The dilemma is that while all trees live on someone's property, the benefits they provide are not specific to property boundaries," said O'Connor.

She said the Superior Court of Ontario ruled in 2013 that a shared tree under the provincial Forestry Act starts where its roots join the trunk. This gives neighbours common ownership of trees and restricts the cutting of branches or roots that cross the boundary line, O'Connor said.

Coun. Paolo Miele said the town already has a bylaw that regulates trees on public lands. He said he wonders if some residents would find it offensive if there were rules enacted for private properties as well.

O'Connor said some cities, such as Toronto, Guelph, Markham and Richmond Hill have bylaws that also regulate trees on private properties. She suggested that if the bylaw were passed, the town pay for the services of an arborist to assist with the permit and review process.

Council voted to send the Conservancy's request to staff to look into the costs and management of a new tree policy.

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Citizens' parking committee will continue to ask questions

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Town residents Bill Auchterlonie and Crispin Bottomley, both of whom work downtown, will continue to co-chair a parking committee.

It will be a citizens' committee, at least until the Town decides what to do with its parking committee that was put on bold, and members dismissed.

Of the seven volunteer members of the Town committee, five will continue to work with the citizens' committee, including Niagara-on-the-Lake Chamber of Commerce executive director Janice Thomson.

The citizens' committee will work toward resolving issues that faced the previous group, which had two town councillors and two town staff on it, although Auchterlonie said there are seven town employees that have attended meetings at various times.

One of the issues with the town committee was that members would ask for information from staff that would not be forthcoming, said Auchterlonie, and the current group of volunteers will continue to press for answers to parking questions.

The volunteers, who met at the community centre, agreed to meet once a month, at least for now, rather than four times a year as the town committee did.

There was also a "fair bit of discussion about why we thought we were dismissed," at their first meeting, said Auchterlonie.

The general consensus, he said, "was that we were asking hard questions they didn't want to answer. They didn't want to keep stonewalling, so they dismissed us. But we're not going away. We just want to focus on the issues."

One of the issues continues to be the new $500,000 parking meters "which still don't function as well as the old ones."

Auchterlonie says the committee will take updates of their work to council, "if council will hear us."

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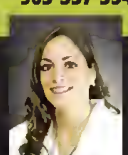
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Burroughs recipient of Niagara Foundation award

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Gary Burroughs, now Niagara-on-the-Lake's regional councillor who also served several terms as Lord Mayor, is the 2015 recipient of the Niagara Foundation Living Landmark Award.

Honoured with a dinner at the Court House Friday, Burroughs reminisced about his early days in politics, when a small group of people, including Margherita and Norm Howe, Frank Hawley, Gerry Wooll, Laura Dodson and Peter Stokes cared deeply about the preservation of the Old Town.

He also spoke of the need to do more about caring for the environment.

"We can't rely on the Niagara Foundation to do all of this for us - we need to get involved. Our wonderful town is worth it and deserves our support."

Michael Howe, president of the Niagara Foundation, spoke of the work of the organization that comes from a commitment to the preservation of history, including its successful advocacy for keeping the Regent Street bowling green in the public domain, providing financial support for CARE, the group attempting to stop the closure of Parliament Oak, the Old Town's only school, and its commitment to stopping a four-storey apartment building on Mary Street, which is now on hold.

Janice Thomson, secretary of the Niagara Foundation, introduced this year's award recipient.

Burroughs, she said, "certainly has the town in his blood and his constant vigilance around preservation and appropriate development for growth is based on a clear understanding of what the town stands for and what it means to its residents."

Thomson, who has just been re-appointed chair of the Niagara Parks Commission, recalled that when she first met Burroughs, he had just been appointed chair, and spoke of him as an inspiration to others.

"In his own quiet, measured and intelligent way, he sets the course for others to follow. Constancy of purpose is how I would describe his style – he has adhered to constancy of purpose throughout his entire life, demonstrating humility and respect for others at all times."

His success, she said, "is based on the respect he genuinely feels and demonstrates towards every resident he is in contact with . . . He shows support, respect and interest in every issue."

He also demonstrates that same level of interest and commitment - in no particular order, she added, "when it comes to ponds, gardens, chickens, Sarah, children, grandchildren and the dogs," as well as his general love of life, the environment, and his "burning passion, waste management."

True to his care for the environment, in his life Burroughs "walks silently, treads softly, leaves no detrimental imprint, but certainly makes a tremendous, long-standing impact," said Thomson.

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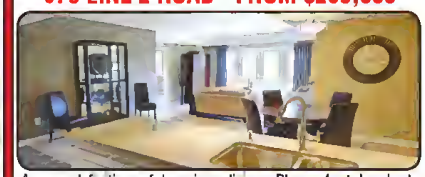

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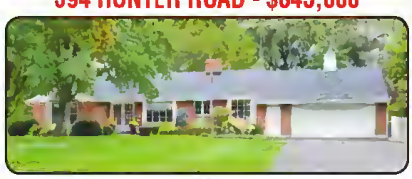

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Point of View

Councillors must show respect to Lord Mayor and electorate

What a difference a week makes.

There were issues at council Monday night, but the atmosphere was one of "let's get this done and move forward."

There was a general acknowledgement that council has acted badly in the recent year, and that residents are not pleased, nor were they being well-served by the representatives they elected.

Lord Mayor Pat Darte issued a timely reminder that this council, despite being made up of members with very different styles of governing, has accomplished a great deal.

It would be fair to say they have every reason to be proud of all they have achieved in their first year, moving faster to set goals and reach them than most governing bodies would expect to.

But Darte was also correct to say they can do better as far as how they have dealt with the temperaments and private agendas that are creating tension and turning council meetings nasty.

Like any good leader should, he accepted his share of responsibility, and presented a solution. He then called on his councillors to work with him as a team to govern in a positive and respectful environment.

His words came after the announcment that he would ask Coun. Paolo Miele for an apology - but fortunately, he didn't need to. Miele had taken the high road and shown respect by apologizing before he was asked for a comment he made on Facebook.

Now, all that's to be dealt with is Coun. Martin Mazza's request for an apology from Coun. Jim Collard for interrupting him and for offensive language, calling his actions 'ludicrous'.

We'll see what happens between now and the next council meeting, but although it sounds like the conflict continued into a second week of council, the atmosphere seemed considerably more civil than it had last week, almost conciliatory.

It will be a relief to continue to see and hear councillors acting with courtesy toward one another and with the respect for their roles as elected officials.

This council has already made huge achievements as far as governing.

We look forward to seeing how much more can be realized over the next three years if we have a council that is working together at a personal level as well.

Saying thank you

Kristen and Matthew Dietsch presented $3,400 to Carley Eckhardt, fund development co-ordinator for the Ronald McDonald House in Hamilton, from funds raised at the fourth annual Sandtrap Open, a golf tournament held at the NOTL Golf Course. The Dietsches organize the tournament to raise money as a thank you to Ronald McDonald House and the Niagara Children's Centre, as a thank you for their assistance to the family when their first son, Dylan, was born. The tournament raised $6,800, and the other half of the money goes to the children's centre. With Kristen and Matthew are their boys, Colton and Dylan.

Time to start registering for help from Newark at Christmas

Bonnie Turner
Newark Neighbours

As the leaves are disappearing and the weather in getting colder we are almost into winter.

We even had a few flakes swirling around this week.

As always we have some thank yous to send out.

At Halloween Bruce and Janice Harvey hosted a party and requested their guests bring food for Newark, rather than hostess gifts. Everyone was very generous and we received a substantial amount.

Last week the local branch of the Air Cadets brought in muffins and fruit. The Newcomers Club sent us cookies and two trays of fruit.

To the anonymous donor who slipped an envelope with a large amount of money through our mail slot this past Saturday we are very grateful.

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We are in the process of preparing for our Christmas program and registration is going on now.

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Opinion

Pumphouse ready for holiday

Rima Boles
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We are getting ready for winter at the Niagara Pumphouse and preparing for our upcoming ninth annual Artful Treasures Show and Sale.

Our tree is decorated and surrounded by a selection of hand-made items by artists and artisans participating in Artful Treasures.

Visit the Pumphouse for a sneak peak of what you can expect during the sale displayed in our reception area

In our gallery, Anne Reimer's oil and watercolour paintings are on display until Nov. 30, so be sure to visit over the weekend if you haven't had a chance to see this exhibition. While here, pick up a copy of our winter brochure – full of art classes and workshop for children, youth and adults.

Mark your calendars for Artful Treasures taking place on Dec. 4 and 5, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in co-ordination with the NOTL Rotary Club Holiday House Tour.

Artful Treasures promises to be the best place to find gifts for people on your list who appreciate unique objects. Glasswork, jewelry, pottery, woodwork and many more items will be on display, hand-crafted by many Niagara-region artists.

Delicious holiday cookies and hand-made cards prepared by a team of local volunteers, will also be on sale and proceeds will benefit Pumphouse programs.

Artful Treasures welcomes Rotary House Tour ticket holders to The Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre, housed in a Victorian brick building constructed in 1891 on the banks of the Niagara River. Visit the historic building and do some holiday shopping at the same time.

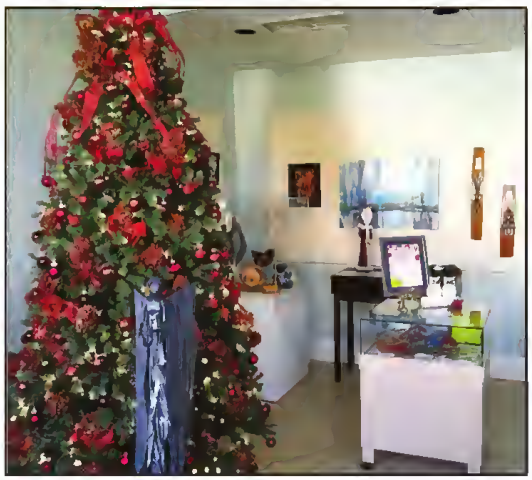
In addition to exhibiting her paintings, Reimer is also an art instructor at the Niagara Pumphouse. This winter, she is offering an oil painting class and workshop to pass on some of her tips and tricks working with oils.

Winter classes start in January but registration has already begun and some of our classes are filling up quickly.

We have added new children and youth programs at the Pumphouse. In addition to our popular Saturday Morning Mini-Masters (ages five to eight) and Afternoon Art Adventures (ages nine to 12) we are offering After-School Art & Artists (ages nine to 12) and After-School Art Studio (ages 13 to 15).

These new after-school classes are taught by professional artist and teacher Beata O'Connell, who is energetic and passionate about teaching art.

Art & Artists will focus on art historical periods and projects will be inspired by selected artists. The Art Studio will challenge teens to develop strong drawing, painting, printmaking and sculpting skills that will be applied to finished artworks.



The reception area of the Niagara Pumphouse Art Centre is decorated and filled with Artful Treasures for sale Dec. 4 and 5.

Lessons will include examples from art history and visits to the gallery will complement studio projects using professional art supplies and equipment.

The Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre is at 247 Ricardo St. in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Call 905-468-5455 for more information or visit www.niagarapumphouse.ca.

The fall gallery and office hours are weekdays, 12 to 4 p.m. and weekends 1 to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

letters to the editor

Shift of tax burden unfair to everyone

The Regional proposal to shift more tax burden onto residential rate payers is a very poorly thought out idea that is going to compound an already unfair and unequal property tax system.

Businesses do not pay taxes out of their personal pockets - they are passed on via customer pricing. Residential tax payers already shoulder 80 percent of the Region's budget and placing more tax burden on residents creates an even greater subsidy for the entire business sector.

In addition, tourism is one of the largest segments of the Niagara Region business sector and residents should not be expected to subsidize tourists. In every other tourist hot spot in North America business taxes are passed on to tourist consumers. Increasing the share of residential property tax onto residents does not reflect any consideration for ability to pay and compounds the unfair Market Value Assessment system that already exists across the Niagara Region

This is not just an issue for Niagara-on-the-Lake and Grimsby residents, but all Niagara Region residents will suffer increased Regional tax bills.

I encourage all Niagara Region residential tax payers to call your Regional Council representatives and make your displeasure known.

Gary Soule

Parade to be bigger than ever

With all the warm weather that we've been having, it's hard to believe that the 2015 NOTL Christmas Parade is just around the corner.

Planning is well along for this year's parade. All of our bands have been confirmed and we are particularly excited to announce that the Streetsville Pipes and Drums will be joining us for the first time.

Entries are coming in at a great pace and we are expecting that this will one of the largest parades we've had. The deadline for entries is Nov. 30 so there is still time for people to get involved.

Those wishing to participate should go to www.notl.org, click on Quicklinks and select Christmas Parade to find a copy of the entry form.

Also, we are in need of carriers for our major sponsor banners. If there is a group that can help us out, they will get to see the parade from a unique vantage point.

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NOTICE OF MEETING
Proposed New Draft Official Plan

PURPOSE

To present the first draft of the proposed new Official Plan to Council members and the public and to receive input regarding the first draft.

The existing Official Plan has been in effect since 1994, and has been subject to a large number of amendments. The proposed new draft Official Plan updates the existing policies to bring them into conformity with local, regional and provincial planning initiatives, including the Provincial Policy Statement (2014), the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, the Greenbelt Plan, the Region of Niagara Official Plan, and the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake's Strategic Plan.

The proposed new draft Official Plan proposes updated policy direction related to growth management, economic development, the natural heritage system, agricultural policy, and cultural heritage resources. The Plan also provides new or updated policies to assist with the implementation of the Plan, including community improvement, future use of a development permit system, and pre-consultation requirements.

An electronic copy of the proposed new draft Official Plan will be available for review on Monday, November 30, 2015, on the Town's website at www.notl.org. Hard copy documents will be available for viewing on Wednesday, December 2, 2015, at the following locations: Town Municipal Offices, Niagara-on-the-Lake Public Library, and Queenston Community Centre.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Input regarding the proposed new draft Official Plan is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the meeting or by making a written submission to the Town. Please note, if you will be speaking at the meeting, please submit your presentation in writing the evening of the meeting.

This is the first of a number of public forums that will be scheduled by the Town over the next few months to review the proposed new draft Official Plan.

MEETING DETAILS

Date: December 7, 2015

Time: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Place: Court House, 26 Queen Street, Niagara-on-the-Lake

WRITTEN SUBMISSION

To provide input in writing, please send a letter c/o Town Clerk Holly Dowd, 1593 Four Mile Creek Road, P.O. Box 100, Virgil, Ontario, L0S 1T0.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information regarding this meeting or other aspects of the draft Official Plan, please contact Leah Wallace, Senior Planner, at 905-468-3266, extension 245. A copy of this notice can be found on the Town's website at www.notl.org.

Dated at the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake this 26th day of November 2015.

Queenston - Glendale
Pilot Transit Route Cancellation

Effective December 3, 2015, Niagara-on-the-Lake Transit's Queenston to Glendale Route (7:45 a.m. - 6:41 p.m.) will be discontinued, with the last day of service on Wednesday, December 2, 2015. This route was introduced as a 6-month pilot project in May 2015. However, due to low ridership, it has not proven feasible to continue its operation as a permanent route.

For further information, please contact transit@notl.org or call 905-468-3266.

Volunteers Needed for the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake
Age-Friendly Steering Committee

The Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake is seeking volunteers to be part of the Town's Age-Friendly Steering Committee for this term of Council. Town Council will select and appoint resident members who reflect a balance of interest, experience, and perspectives within the specific mandate of the Age-Friendly Steering Committee.

An application form and Terms of Reference are available on the Town's website under Hot Topics at www.notl.org. The application deadline is 4:00 p.m. on Friday, December 18, 2015. A resume identifying specific qualifications for the Committee's Terms of Reference is required with the application.

Completed applications may be submitted to the Corporate Services Department, Town Municipal Offices, 1593 Four Mile Creek Road, PO Box 100, Virgil, ON L0S 1T0 or by e-mail to vbutters@notl.org.

Please note: Interviews will be offered to applicants.

Conflict of interest rules will apply to all citizen members, pursuant to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O., 1990, Chapter M.50, a copy of which is available for viewing at www.e-laws.gov.on.ca.

Applications submitted are subject to the provisions of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. In addition, in signing the application form, applicants are giving consent to the public disclosure of their personal information and a summary of their experience and qualifications if they are recommended for appointment.

Holly Dowd, Town Clerk
November 26, 2015

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Old Town will be alive with music for Candlelight Stroll

This year's Candlelight Stroll takes place Friday, Dec. 4, with caroling from the Court House steps on Queen St. beginning at 6:30 pm.

The stroll begins with the Town Crier gathering everyone together in front of the Court House with carol singing and the candle lighting ceremony - participants can buy a candle with cup outside the Court House.

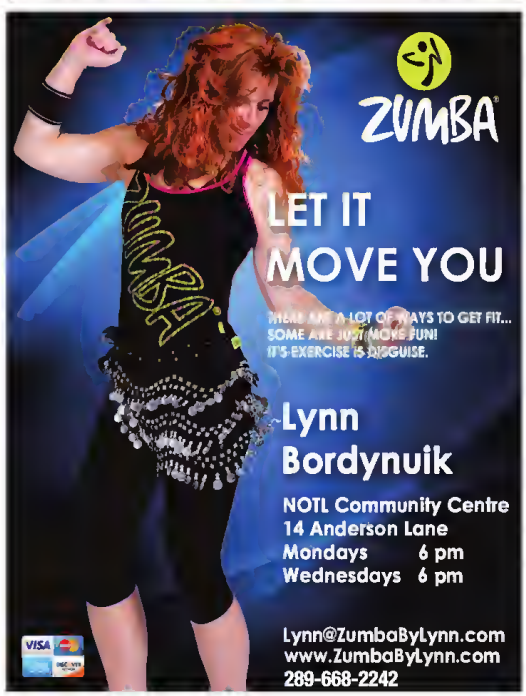
There will be a special performance by Debbie Whitehouse before the stroll begins, when she sings carols from the Court House steps, later joined by the Salvation Army Band.

The stroll will be led through the streets of the Old Town from a Sentineal horse-drawn carriage.

The stroll route will be alive with entertainment from choirs and musical entertainers, including the Salvation Army Band, the bagpipes of Norm Haigh, the Fort George junior fife and drum corps, Grace United Church, Sing Niagara, Niagara Christian Assembly, Acapella Niagara, German School Choir, Resurrection Lutheran Choir, Bethany Bell Ringers, Mystique, Brass Quintet, Sir Winston Churchill Choir and Joyful Noise.

A Christmas wagon will be displayed by Sentineal Carriages on Queen Street to collect donations of non-perishable goods for Newark Neighbours.

For more information, call 905-468-1950 or visit the Chamber website at www.niagaraonthelake.com.



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Stefan Regier* 289-257-6744

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Helen Masca* 905-650-5669
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481 GATE STREET | $1,055,000

Inspired by Greek Revival architecture this spectacular home is designed to be a luxurious upscale B & B. The second floor provides 3 large private suites with high ceilings, full baths and gas fireplaces. All are double door entries off on expansive main hall the leads to a full second floor balcony.

Kevan & James* O'Connor 905-468-7700**

1211 LINE 8 RD | $1,099,000

4.1 acre country estate with small vineyard. 4517 Sq Ft, 5 bdrm home with separate main floor master suite. Over 6000 Sq Ft of finished living space. detached 3 car garage.

Gary Zalepa Sr. 905-357-8779**

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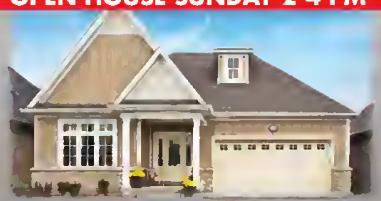

4 STONERIDGE CR. | $619,900

Open concept gorgeous kitchen with huge island and quartz counters. Beautiful spa ensuite with tiled shower.

Dan Stefels* 905-327-7438
Katie Redekopp 905-658-1564

340 GATE ST. | $1,395,000

This lovely 8 bdrm, 8 bath home sits in the heart of old town NOTL. This property has been run as a very successful B&B in the past. Over 7,000 square feet of living space.

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Gloria Szylak* 905-468-4214

6 RIVER (THOROLD) | $65,000

Located in the quaint town of Port Robinson and next to a small historical lot owned by the city. Lot is 53.83 x 176.50. Located across the street is a splash pad and large park. Great location. Beautiful ravine lot.

Call Cheryl Marr* 905-246-4670

6395 LUNDY'S LANE | $450,000

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15550 NIAGARA PARKWAY | $1,995,000

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Kevan O'Connor celebrates the launch of Trek at the Garrison House Restaurant. His Pinot Noir is now in several local restaurants, and he will launch retail sales at Southbrook Vineyards Wednesday.

KEVAN O'CONNOR INVITES YOU TO
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SOUTHBROOK WINERY,
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NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE (NEAR AIRPORT)

Trek to launch at Southbrook Wednesday

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Ask real estate broker Kevan O'Connor about terroir, micro climate or root stock, and you might think by his answers that he's an expert on grape-growing.

He is - he became very knowledgeable very quickly about not only growing good grapes but making quality wine when he purchased almost 100 acres of vineyards, about half planted to Pinot Noir grapes, a large investment he wants to protect.

Although, he says, "the more you know, the more you realize you don't know.

He's still learning, with the help of those who manage his vineyards for him.

At first he was selling his grapes to other wineries, and then decided to try his own brand under his own label - Trek - with a winemaker making the wine for him.

He lays claim to one of a growing number of "virtual" wineries - with no bricks and mortar facility of his own, or winery licence, Southbrook Vineyard's winemaker Ann Sperling makes his wine, which is sold on their retail shelves, under their licence but his label, which says bottled by Southbrook but by proprietor Kevan O'Connor.

Sperling "asked me what kind of style I like, and I said my favorites are the California pinots - so she's made something similar. It's rich, full bodied, high in alcohol - 14.7 per cent. When you've shared a bottle, you'll know you've shared a bottle."

It's an arrangement that works well for both, he says, especially since Southbrook doesn't make a Pinot Noir, and at this point, that's O'Connor's specialty. "We're not in competition, and we're helping drive traffic to the store."

He has a local grape-grower doing a great job of looking after his vineyards, but in all steps, he's very hands-on - it takes a lot of money to grow quality grapes, and he wants to make sure he gets his return.

Pinot Noir grapes, he says, are difficult to grow, and a bad year could be mean losing everything.

Every year is a balancing act, maintaining the quality of the fruit without losing too much in volume, especially with a terroir of heavy soil that doesn't lend itself to the highest production levels, he says.

Fortunately, he's had two good years, although the harsh winters have meant a reduced tonnage of grapes - 90 tonnes and 60 tonnes, when, "in a perfect world, we should have had 140 tonnes," he said.

His wine is being sold in local restaurants: the Oban Inn, the NOTL Golf Club, the Garrison House, and the Blue Mermaid in St. Catharines.

It retails for $39.95 - mid to upper price range - and appeals to those who like a "fine wine" that's not available in the liquor store, he says.

O'Connor is hosting a launch of his Trek Vineyard 2013 Pinot Noir Wednesday Dec. 2, from 4 to 7 p.m. at Southbrook Vineyard, 581 Niagara Stone Road.

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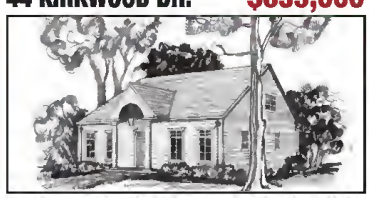
123 GAGE STREET $599,000

An attractive bungalow on a beautifully landscaped 100ft wide lot on a prestigious street only two blocks from the main street and all amenities. Great opportunity to scale down or enjoy an elegant weekend retreat. Architectural plans are available to enlarge the present home. **MLS# N30045357. Thomas Elltoft and Viviane Elltoft.**

524 CONCESSION 1 RD $929,000

17 plus acre fruit farm. The land is well located close to the Niagara River with deep sandy loam soil. Excellent for growing tender fruit and grapes. Farm is currently planted to peaches (16 acres appx.) and one acre of plums. 4000 sq. ft. 3 year old barn with concrete pad. **Chris Bowron and Audrey Wright.**

44 KIRKWOOD DR. $635,000



Brand new custom build in convenient location offering numerous amenities within walking distance including new community centre, library, wineries/breweries and only minutes from downtown Niagara on the Lake's shops, theatres and restaurants. Featuring a blend of traditional and modern details with high-end finishes. **MLS N30050437. Thomas Elltoft and Kim Elltoft.**

180 WILLIAM STREET $889,000

Showcasing a quality built new construction home complementing the historic surrounds of NOTL. This brand new luxury home is located in a prime location of old town close to shops, theatres, restaurants, walking trails and community centre. High end finishes include hardwood, granite countertops, character trim, tile and glass main floor bathroom and interlocked driveway. **MLS N30050954 Viviane Elltoft or Tom Elltoft.**

16 NORTON ST. $879,000

Inspired architecture, ideal location on a park with vineyard vistas, gorgeous upgraded colours, features and finishes, and an elegant design with meticulous attention to detail, this home has it all! The Great Room is the perfect place to entertain, the Master Suite is conveniently located on the main floor, and the lower level, complete with 9' ceilings, provides an ideal getaway for family and friends. **Adam Hawley and Chris Bowron. MLS# N30051669**

7 LAURA SECORD PLACE $699,000

Gorgeous park like setting! This very rare almost 3/4 acre private ravine lot is located on a quiet cul-de-sac. This four bedroom home with many updates has been very well maintained. The rear yard is a paradise with a 20 x 40 "wave pool", large deck, flagstone walkways and beautiful gardens. **MLS# N30049620. Victorie Bolduc and Sarah Gleddie.**

318 VICTORIA STREET $829,000

Minimal restoration has kept this classic 1800's home pure and lovely. New furnace, newer roof. Large principal rooms with many windows and a gorgeous deep landscaped garden. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and 2 blocks from Queen St. **MLS# N30050325. Bonnie Grimm**

17 LOWER CANADA DRIVE $461,999

Spacious home set on a large lot surrounded by mature trees in desirable Gam'son Village. This lovely 3+2 bedroom, 4 bathroom home offers many updates including recently renovated upper level, private rear garden with in ground pool and double garage. **MLS# N30046093. Sarah Gleddie and Victoria Bolduc.**

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Rotary house tour includes historic Locust Grove

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Jens Ramputh has put his heart and soul - not to mention money, time and lahour - into restoring Locust Grove.

Now he's ready to invite the public in to see its transformation, during the two-day NOTL Rotary Cluh Holiday House Tour.

Locust Grove is the house on Hunter Road, on the hack of the property that used to helong to Eden Christian College - the huilding was where the school started in 1942, then called Virgil Bihle School, and later was a dormitory for students who attended Eden when it was huilt in the 1950s.

But that is all part of its history, which dates hack to 1782.

The first Locust Grove was huilt hy Empire Loyalist Jacoh Ball on land deeded to him by the crown, made of 88,000 hricks that were fired in a kiln constructed on the property.

It was hurned down in the War of 1812, and rehuilt hy Ball's son George, says Ramputh.

It has endured two more fires since, and several alterations, before heing ahandoned in 1985.

There were occasional tenants after that, and Ramputh's parents were among those who called the historic estate home.

But when it was going to he sold in 2006 - his mother had died and his father was going to he kicked - Ramputh decided to purchase it.

An airline pilot who had also worked in construction, he decided to take time from his joh and restore the house himself to its original Georgian style, learning what he needed to learn as he went along.

The entrance reveals a grand foyer with the 200-year-old staircase, original floors, two large drawing rooms and 11-foot ceilings. Walls are five-hricks thick, Ramputh said.

The upper hall is restored in the Imperial style with inlaid walnut floors, frescoed ceilings and ornate plaster work - plastering was one of the many skills Ramputh had to learn.

The three large hedrooms showcase the hright Georgian sash windows, restored in the original manner with 130-year-old glass.

The oldest estate in Ontario is now a hed and hreakfast, and was full all summer with guests who were interested in its history, said Ramputh.

The doors to the historic estate will he open to the puhlic for the Rotary Holiday House Tour Dec. 4 and 5, decorated by Regal Florist and Garden Centre.

Ramputh says he feels a responsihility toward the puhlic, especially those interested in heritage homes and construction, to see the interior of the house, and so was happy to he part of the tour.

"This house is a living museum," he said.

"It will he good to have it open a couple of days, when people can see inside. Such architecture doesn't exist any more. People should be ahle to see what early craftsmen were ahle to do."

On the other end of the spectrum, one of the newer homes on the tour is a custom huilt 2001 Georgian colonial house, uniquely situated so the veranda, second-floor halcony and kitchen have sunset vineyard views all year long.

The Falhman House on Samuel Street in The Village will he decorated by Liz Hawley of Refuge Antiques and Giftery, in Garrison Village.

During the two-day event, the Niagara Pumphouse will he featuring a show and sale of unique holiday gifts hy local artists, and St. Mark's Church will offer a special lunch served in the Church Hall from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m

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St. Mark's, golf club, wineries offer lunch during holiday tour

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RiverBrink Art Museum in Queenston will be open for the tour, as will McFarland House, one of the only structures to survive the burning of the town in 1813.

The Niagara Historical Museum will be decorated for the season, and will be open for hot apple cider and to browse through its gift shop.

Wine Country Vintners on Queen St., Peller Estates Winery and Trius Winery will all be offering complimentary tastings to house tour ticket-holders, and the wineries will have a specially-priced lunch menu. Peller will be holding a Wine Country Silent Auction, with all proceeds to the Rotary Club of NOTL.

The NOTL Golf Club will be headquarters for the house tour, selling tickets, providing information and acting as the site for pre-paid ticket pick-up, with a special buffet lunch.

Proceeds from the house tour, Friday, Dec. 4 and Saturday, Dec. 5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., support local and international Rotary causes. In the past 16 years, more than $600,000 ha been raised to support community service projects, the Rotary Youth Exchange Program, and several international service activities.

For information or $25 tickets, call 905-351-3807, or buy them online at niagaraonthelakerotary.ca.

Jens and Tatiana Ramputh, Rotary member Martin Quick, and Darrell Boer and Lynne Warren of Regal Florist and Garden Centre prepare to welcome the public to Locust Grove for the NOTL Rotary Club Holiday House Tour.

Laura Secord open house coming up for Grade 8s

Carrie Robinson
Grade 10

I'm Carrie Robinson and I'm currently a Grade 10 student at Laura Secord Secondary School. I live in Niagara-on-the-Lake and graduated from Parliament Oak Public School in 2014. I have had a great experience at Laura Secord and highly recommend it to current Grade 8 students attending the open house and considering their high school options.

Laura Secord Secondary School

I have found the teachers and administrative staff at Laura Secord to be great, they all seem to want the students to succeed and find their area of interest for future study.

I am actively involved instudent union activities and enjoy planning and helping co-ordinate events such as dances, coffee houses, picnics and school spirit events. This past summer I took my Grade 10 Civics and Careers course through the DSBN Edutravel Company and traveled with 150 other Grade 10 students to Ottawa, Montreal and New York City while completing the course over a two week period. It was a great experience.

Secord has many athletic teams and intramural sports you can get involved in. Teams are competitive and many are open to students who have never played the sport before. The year-end Athletic Banquet for all student athletes is lots of fun too.

Student life at Laura Secord is great if you decide to become involved in the arts programs as well. Even if you don't know how to play an instrument or haven't had much experience singing in a choir - I highly recommend you give both a try. There are a lot of fun people in the music program. Students can join the junior band and learn any instrument they want.

Being part of a 100-person choir is a unique experience, again, no experience needed. With the Secord choir, I have had the opportunity to sing at the Brock Performing Arts Centre with the Niagara Symphony and at the St. Lawrence Centre in Toronto with Robert Pillon. This winter we will perform Pink Floyd's The Wall, with Classic Albums Live at the new Performing Arts Centre in St. Catharines.

In addition, there is a program Laura Secord offers called Repertoire, that gives a course credit for being involved in before and after school activities like choir, jazz band and concert band.

Laura Secord produces a large-scale musical production every two years. This year they are doing Anything Goes. I highly recommend seeing the show if you are interested in coming to Secord next year, it is a great representation of our school, as all the different departments come together to make the musical the best it can possibly be.

Carrie Robinson

Laura Secord is a amazing school with great students and teachers - come join us at our open house on Wednesday, Dec. 2. Registration opens at 6 p.m. Program begins at 7 p.m.

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Winterglow

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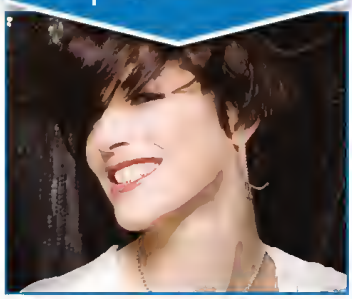
Sounds of Christmas
Saturday, Dec 5, 12 & 19
1 pm • Simcoe Park



Come out and celebrate the holidays! The town Niagara-on-the-Lake and TD Niagara Jazz Festival proudly present the *Sounds of Christmas* at Simcoe Park. Saturdays, December 5, 12 and 19 from 1 pm - 3 pm. Admission is free. Bring your own chair and beverages. Limited picnic benches available. Please consider patronizing local food and beverage retailers. For further information, contact Kevin Turcotte at 905-468-3061 x 263 or kturcotte@notl.org.

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Friday, Dec 4 to Saturday, Dec 5
10 am - 4 pm

The 17th annual Rotary Holiday House Tour invites everyone to visit a variety of historic and contemporary properties, all decorated for the holiday season by local businesses and volunteers. Your support benefits countless others in Niagara and throughout the world. Tour operates regardless of the weather. $25.00 per person. Order online at www.niagaraonthelake.com. Purchased tickets can be picked up between 10 am and 5 pm, 7 days a week, at the Niagara-on-the-Lake Chamber of Commerce, on the lower level at 26 Queen St., Niagara-on-the-Lake.

27th Annual Candle Light Stroll

Friday, Dec.4 | Queen Street Heritage District | Starting at 6:30 pm

Niagara-on-the-Lake's Annual Candlelight Stroll takes place on Friday Dec. 4, with caroling from the Court House steps beginning at 6:30 pm.

A favourite tradition for many families, the Candlelight Stroll begins with the Town Crier gathering everyone together in front of the Court House on Queen Street, with carol singing and the candle lighting ceremony. All participants in the stroll have an opportunity to purchase a candle with cup for $3, or two for $5.

As is customary at the Stroll, there will be a special performance by Debbie Whitehouse, singing from the Court House steps, later joined by the Salvation Army Band, as part of the opening ceremonies.

Lord Mayor Patrick Darte will introduce this year's recipient of the Candlelight Stroll candle sale proceeds.

Following the custom established by Arthur Nieudorp and his wife, Irene ,and the Friends of the Stroll, funds raised from the event will be used to brighten the world of a child in need at Christmas time.

Joe Caruana with BoxRun Foundation Founder Mike Strange and Caruana's two sons Andrew, left, and Brandon. The BoxRun Foundation was named as the 2014 recipient of the Candlelight Stroll proceeds. Brandon is a cancer survivor and he is one of the motivating young individuals as to why Strange established the BoxRun Foundation. The Foundation's focus is to raise awareness for childhood cancers and research. Strange and the Caruana family led last year's Candlelight Stroll.

The stroll route will be alive with entertainment from various choirs and musical entertainers, including the Salvation Army Band, the Fort George Junior Fife and Drum Corps, Grace United Church, Sing Niagara, Niagara Christian Assembly, A Capella Niagara, German School Choir, Royal Oak School, Bethany Bell Ringers, Images, Brass Quintet, Sir Winston Churchill Choir, The Yellow Door Theatre Company and Resurrection Lutheran Church. Debbie Whitehouse will lead the carol singing from the Court House steps.

A Christmas wagon will be displayed by Sentineal Carriages on Queen Street and we hope to fill it high with donations of non-perishable goods for Newark Neighbours.

Many volunteers make this event a tremendous success—members of the Chamber of Commerce and the Town staff all work together to produce a perfect evening.

The Chamber of Commerce is delighted to be able to continue this well-loved tradition of sharing in the joys of the Holiday Season with neighbours and friends and looks forward to welcoming new visitors this year. For more information, call (905) 468-1950 or visit our website, www.niagaraonthelake.com.

Candlelight Stroll

Friday, December 4

Take a guided stroll through historic old town, accompanied by local choirs and seasonal entertainment. Festivities begin at 6:30 pm on Queen Street in front of the Clock Tower and Courthouse.

Proceeds from this year's candle sales will support a child in need this Christmas season.
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Documentary: Fridays from Jan 1 - Feb 12

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Pillitteri Christmas Open House

Saturday, December 5 • 1pm to 4pm

Stop by Pillitteri for its Christmas Open House. Complimentary Hors d'oeuvres, Christmas cookies and wine will be served. Shop for great gift ideas, Also, decorate your own Christmas-themed wine glasses ($10 fee includes glass). Sessions will be hosted by our resident Christmas crafters. Times are 1:15, 2:15 and 3:15. Design your own wine gift wrapping and baskets. Also, they will be collecting donations for the local Niagara Food Bank.

Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake Santa Claus Parade

Saturday, Dec 12 | 11 AM

What better way to infuse Christmas spirit into the upcoming holiday season than by attending the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake's Annual Santa Claus Parade. Noted as one of Ontario's best Santa Claus Parades, come celebrate and catch a glimpse of the big guy himself, Santa. Starts at 11 am along Queen Street. Call 905-468-4261 for more information.

More Local Events

Life Under Canvas: Niagara Camp 1915-1919 – Niagara Historical Society & Museum Exhibition from now until to March 31, 2016. An exhibition commemorating 100 Years of the First World War Training Camp in Niagara-on-the-Lake. Niagara Historical Museum, 43 Castlereagh Street, 905-468-3912.

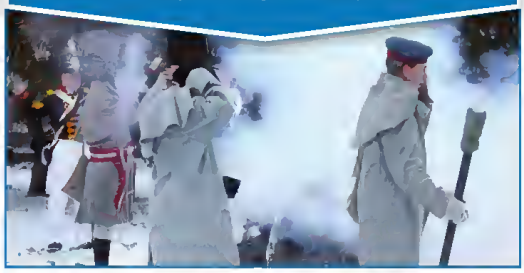
Fort George Garrison Christmas

Saturday, Dec. 12 & Sunday, Dec 13
Noon-4 pm

Experience Christmas past at Fort George Garrison style just like officers, soldiers and their families did. Savour special dishes in the Officers' kitchen and bask in the glow of the fire against the pomp and pageantry of the fifes and drums, create period crafts and play games for all ages. Join the costumed staff and volunteers of Fort George for a day of festive merry-making and revelry you will remember for years to come! For information: 905-468-6614, email ont-niagara@pc.gc.ca or www.pc.gc.ca/fortgeorge

New Year's Day Levee

January 1 | 3 pm | Navy Hall



The New Year's Levee is a tradition dating back to the beginning of government, where citizens would renew their allegiance to the Crown. In modern times, we commemorate this tradition and invite all residents and visitors to gather on the first day of the New Year. Official toasts, presented at 4:00 pm by local dignitaries, followed by a ceremonial gun salute by Fort George staff and a music presentation by the Fort George Fife and Drum Corps. Complimentary light refreshments available. Call 905-468-6621 or visit www.friendsoffortgeorge.ca

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SPARKLE & ICE DIAMOND GALA
Friday, January 15 • 8 pm

In its third year, the Sparkle and Ice Diamond Gala is in celebration of the 21 Annual Icewine Festival. Niagara-on-the-Lake Icewine makers and their VQA wines are perfectly paired with Icewine-inspired tastings from the Signature Kitchen Chefs. The beautiful setting in the Grand Hall of the Courthouse and live entertainment will make this an evening to remember. $95.00 per person. Purchase your tickets at www.niagaraonthelake.com

SPARKLE & ICE CONCERT
Saturday, January 16 • 8 pm

Rare appearance by Dominic Mancuso

The Niagara-on-the-Lake Chamber of Commerce and Bravo Niagara! Festival of the Arts co-present a rare appearance by the sensational Dominic Mancuso Group in the Grand Hall of the Courthouse. Icewine paired desserts and VQA wines will be served by the Signature Kitchen Chefs and Wineries of Niagara-on-the-Lake. Tickets $75 per person. Purchase your tickets at www.niagaraonthelake.com

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Saturday, Jan 30 & Sunday, Jan. 31

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Flash and Panache: Icewine Cocktail Competition

Saturday, Jan. 23

The Icewine Village in the Heritage District takes on a whole new energy once the lights are dimmed from 9 to 11 pm. Get out and experience the amazing icewine cocktails created by the Signature Kitchen Chefs of Niagara-on-the-Lake. And it's a Niagara-on-the-Lake competition, so you know the bar will be high -- and it's a bar made of ice! An event not to be missed, music, interesting cocktails and culinary accompaniments from the Signature Kitchen Chefs. www.niagaraonthelake.com/winter

WHITE ON ICE DINNER

Thursday, January 28 • 7 pm
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Icebreakers' Comedy Festival

Thursday, Jan. 28 to Saturday, Jan. 30

Held in local venues throughout the town, this comedy festival features quality performers, with a final gala performance on Saturday night. Full listings of performers, locations and times will be posted at www.niagaraonthelake.com. Phone 905-468-1950.

Shop - Sip - Sample - Savour

Saturday Jan. 30 to Sunday Jan. 31

A chance to combine several favourite Niagara-on-the-Lake experiences in one! Step inside the diverse settings of the Landmark Shops in the Heritage District and enjoy Icewine poured by the Wineries of Niagara-on-the-Lake accompanied with culinary samples from the Signature Kitchens of Niagara-on-the-Lake at the Icewine Village. Meet the merchants, chefs and wine experts of Niagara-on-the-Lake. We can't wait to welcome you inside! Call 905-468-1950 for full details or send an email to chamber-events@niagaraonthelake.com. To order your $30 Insider's Passes online, please go to www.niagaraonthelake.com/winter.

Days of Wine and Chocolate

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"This is a busy time of the year. It's easy to be distracted and leave your vehicle unlocked or valuables in your car. Take extra time to lock it down."

During the Lock It or Lose It campaign, police officers and special constables examine parked vehicles to confirm they are locked and that no valuables have been left in plain view.

Officers place a small notice on vehicles checked indicating what safety precautions were neglected and offer simple prevention tips for drivers to protect their vehicles against theft.

The notices also congratulate drivers who have secured their vehicle.

Motorists and passengers are urged not to keep personal documents such as vehicle ownership, liability pink slips, credit card invoices or other documents containing personal information in their vehicles.

Identity thieves are looking for such documents so they can assume identities, secure credit card accounts, lease vehicles for export, and even take out a mortgage against victims' properties without their knowledge, the association said in a news release.

Although auto thefts had been on the decline over the past decade, stolen vehicles are up one per cent to 73,924 across Canada over the past 12 months.

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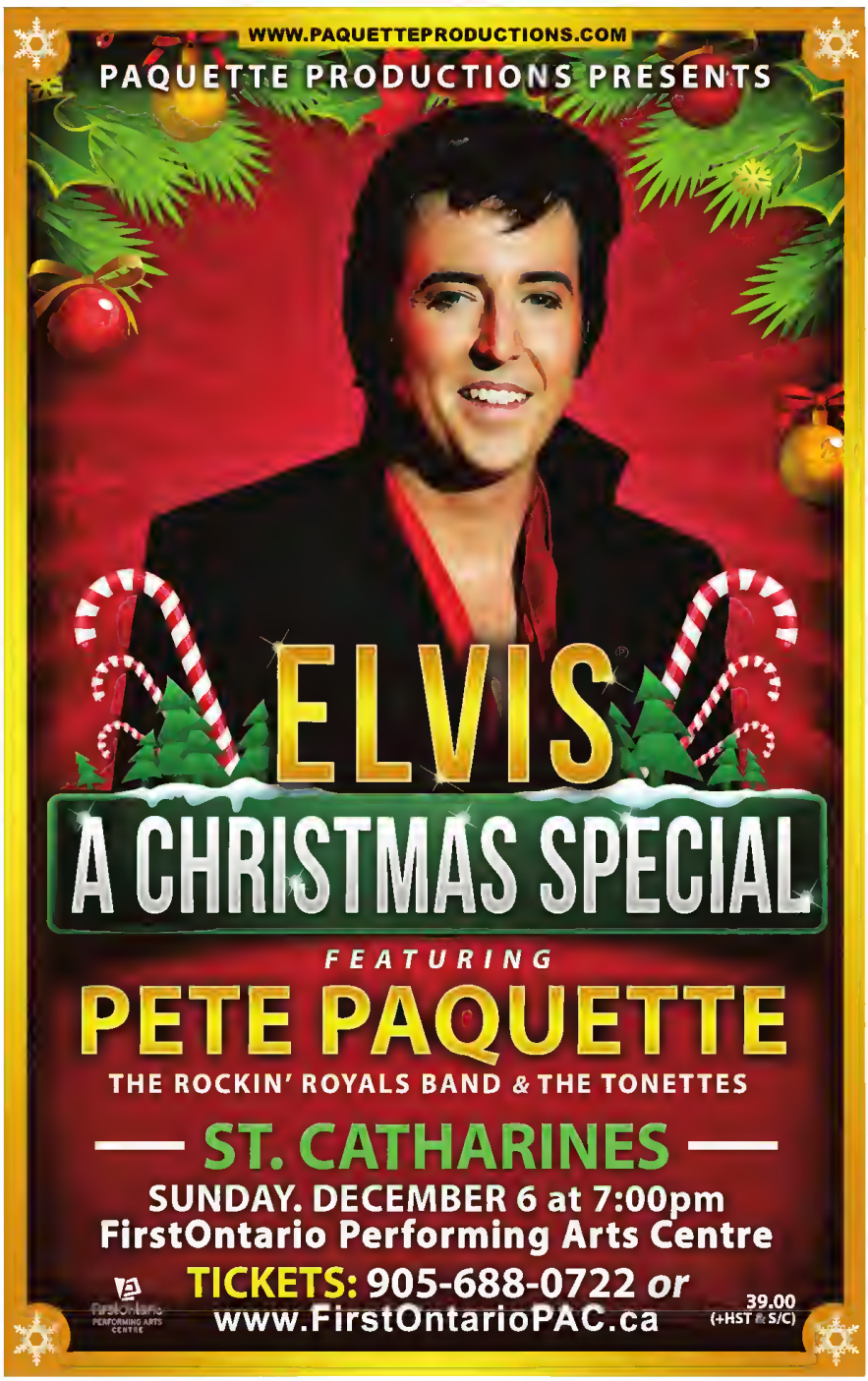

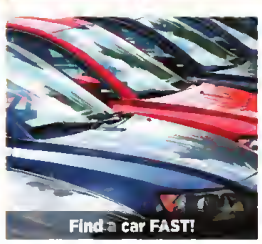

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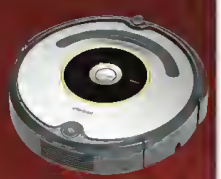

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Teen to get new wheels, but needs help with cost

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Niagara Falls teen Thomas Rabak is getting his wish - some new wheels for Christmas.

The 18-year-old won't be able to drive the van he has pinned his hopes on, but it will still give him some of the independence most teens cherish.

Rabak has cerebral palsy, and the 2016 dark blue Ford Transit, which is being fitted with a wheelchair lift, is expected to be ready just before Christmas, none too soon for him and his family.

Rabak's body is twisted from scoliosis. He can settle comfortably into his wheelchair, which properly supports his body, but not into the car seat he is currently using, which he has outgrown. Traveling anywhere is painful for him, so his trips outside the house are limited mostly to St. Michael Catholic High School, which he gets to by bus.

He loves Red Roof Retreat, a Niagara-on-the-Lake based organization which offers events for special needs teenagers, including swimming, and the weekend respite care it also provides. Red Roof gives him a chance to see his friends, including Garrett Bjorgan, a Niagara-on-the-Lake boy whose mother Steffanie founded Red Roof. They met when they were youngsters, both disabled from cerebral palsy and attending the Niagara Children's Centre, and have remained friends since.

But worse than his own discomfort when traveling is the hardship it creates for his parents.

As he's grown it's become increasingly difficult and awkward for his mother to lift him out of the car seat in her 11-year-old station wagon, and his dad, who is waiting for a hernia operation, is now also finding lifting him painful.

Thomas doesn't speak - he uses a dynavox, which allows him to communicate. On the Gofundme page he created with his mother to help pay for the van, he says, "I want people to be able to move me around without hurting themselves and it will be so nice to be able to get out in the community more to do things a typical teenager can do. Being stuck at home so much is not fun."

Thomas and his parents, Lynne and Andre, have wanted the van for some time, but had to wait until they could put down the deposit.

The vehicle will cost $65,000 once completely outfitted to accommodate Thomas, and so far they've raised $40,000.

The vehicle has to last 10 years - it will be that long before they can apply for grants again - and will be in their son's name, said Lynne. If he grows, he may need a new wheelchair, but the van will be able to accommodate it.

And with the wheelchair lift, other family members, including Thomas's sister and sister-in-law, will be able to drive him places - take him to a mall or a movie with his nephews and nieces, to Red Roof programs, or just out to see Christmas lights, with no need for anyone to do any lifting, including the folding and storing of his heavy wheelchair.

"At the moment, we're very restricted as to what we can do together as a family," said Lynne.

It's built as a 12-passenger van, but once seats are removed for the necessary modifications, will allow for up to nine people including Thomas, and will give his parents a bit of a break - at the moment, they are the only ones who can take him anywhere, Lynne said, and like any teen, it's important for him to have some time away from them to enjoy some of the independence teens crave.

Having the van, she says, "will change all our lives, big time. Family members who can't care for him now will be able to."

They were happy to get to the point where they could order the van, said Lynne, but they're hoping for a little more help to finish paying for it.

They do everything they can for their son, mostly without asking for help, but the cost of the van and the wheelchair lifting device is just too much, she said.

"We aren't wealthy people."

They've had a donation from President's Choice Children's Charity, help from March of Dimes accessing a provincial grant, assistance from Brock Ford, where they purchased the van and from North End Mobility, which is adapting it to meet Thomas's needs.

On Monday, the family gathered at the Husky Travel Centre in Niagara-on-the-Lake to receive donations collected from two cruise nights held over the summer, one at the Husky and the other in downtown Niagara Falls.

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Ontario Clean Energy Benefit	(13.20)	-	+
HST	15.44	**16.72**	
TOTAL	$134.22	**$145.34**	

Percentage Increase **8.3%**

- NOTL Hydro has applied for new rates, effective May 1, 2016, that will **lower** your bill.
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- Provincial regulatory charges will lower effective January 1, 2016.
- The Provincial debt retirement charge is being removed for all residential accounts effective January 1, 2016.
- The Provincial OESP is a new support program launching January 1, 2016 to support low-income electricity users.
- The Provincial 10% credit is being eliminated on January 1, 2016.

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(based on average 2,000kWh monthly)

	CURRENT	FUTURE	
Delivery Charge	86.92	**79.83**	−
Commodity Charge	204.28	**215.32**	+
Regulatory Charge	12.08	**10.42**	−
Debt Reduction Charge	14.00	**14.00**	
Ontario Electricity Support Program	-	**2.28**	+
Ontario Clean Energy Benefit	(31.73)	-	+
HST	37.12	**41.84**	
TOTAL	$322.67	**$363.70**	

Percentage Increase **12.7%**

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- The Provincial OESP is a new support program launching January 1, 2016 to support low-income electricity users.
- The Provincial 10% credit is being eliminated on January 1, 2016.

What can you do about it?

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NOTL, Falls cruise nights help fund modified van

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Ron Charbonneau, a member of the Downtown BIA, organized the Tuesday cruise nights, and when approached by Maria Falzoi-Mazzuca, a friend of the Rabak family, allowed her to set up a stand, offer prizes and raise some money for Thomas. She collected $747 toward the cost of the van in Niagara Falls, and $1,890 from a 50/50 draw held Monday nights for 13 weeks during the summer at the Husky cruise nights, organized by sisters Tracy Palleschi and Sue McCafferty, owners of the York Road travel centre.

Anyone interested in donation can do so at Gofundmewheels4Thomas.

"Any little contribution, any little bumps to help us closer, would be so appreciated," said Lynne.

Coun. Martin Mazza and Lord Mayor Pat Darte were at the Husky Travel Centre last week to present funds raised at the Husky cruise nights held during the summer to Thomas Rabak and his family to help pay for a wheelchair lift-equipped van. With Thomas are his parents Lynne and Andre Rabak, and Husky Travel Centre co-owners Tracy Palleschi and Sue McCafferty.

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Existing Niagara-on-the-Lake Wastewater Treatment Plant and Lagoons (located at 1738 Lakeshore Rd.) Decommissioning Coordinated Federal/Provincial Environmental Assessment

The Study

Niagara Region previously completed a Coordinated Federal/Provincial Environmental Assessment (EA) to facilitate design and construction of the new Niagara-on-the-Lake (NOTL) Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). As part of the previous EA, the Region committed to carry out a subsequent Coordinated Federal/Provincial EA for the decommissioning of the existing NOTL WWTP and lagoons located at 1738 Lakeshore Rd., in the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake.

The objectives of the study are to:

- Complete a Coordinated Federal/Provincial EA;
- Evaluate alternatives for decommissioning the existing lagoons;
- Assess potential effects associated with the project including any cumulative environmental effects; and,
- Provide opportunities for the general public, Aboriginal communities/organizations, and external agencies, to participate in the planning and decision-making process.

The Process

The project is being planned in accordance with **Schedule B** of the **Municipal Class Environmental Assessment.** Upon completion of the study, a Project File Report will be prepared to fulfill both the federal and provincial EA requirements and made available for a minimum 30-day public/agency review period.

Public Information Centre

Public consultation is a key component of this study. This PIC will be an informal session to allow staff from Niagara Region and Hatch Mott MacDonald (consulting engineer), to introduce the study, and to present and receive input on the:

- Coordinated Federal/Provincial Environmental Assessment process (including planned activities and schedule);
- The Problem – Opportunity Statement; and,
- The project site and study area.

The PIC will follow an "Open House" format with information on display and members of the project team on hand to discuss any questions or concerns you may have.

The Public Information Centre will be held:

Date: **Thursday, Dec. 10, 2015**

Time: **6 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

Location: **Niagara-on-the-Lake Community Centre**
14 Anderson Lane
Niagara-on-the-Lake, L0S 1J0

Upcoming project-related notifications will be advertised in local newspapers or emailed/mailed to those on the project mailing list. We look forward to working with you on this project.

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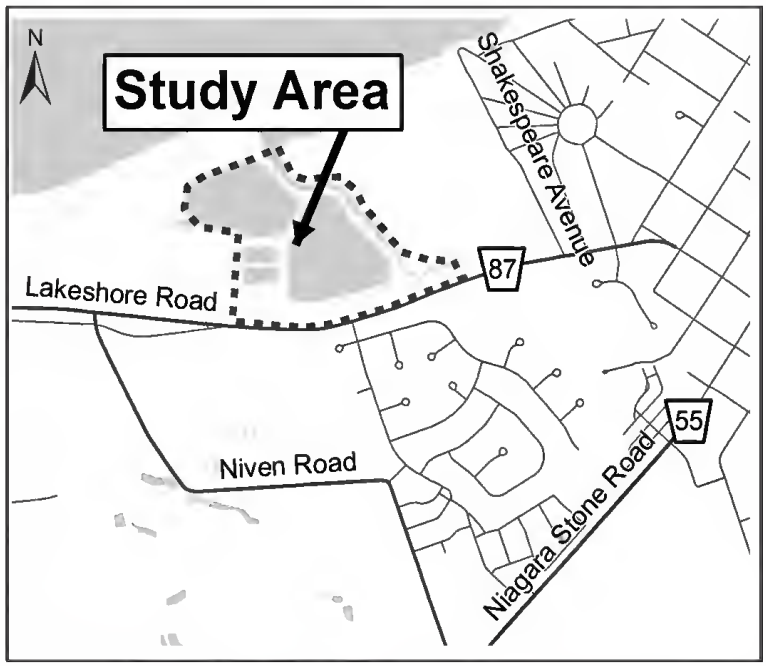

GET INVOLVED!

Public input and comments are encouraged and will be received at any point in the study. If you have questions, wish to be added to the project mailing list, or require further information, please contact:

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The Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake has a Movember team of staff and elected representatives growing moustaches to raise money for men's health issues, including Mark Leone, Coun. Jim Collard, Jesse Auspitz, Peter Todd, Lord Mayor Pat Darte, Coun. Terry Flynn and Aaron Butler. Missing from the photo is Mike Galloway.
Photo submitted by the Town of NOTL

Town team joins Movember fundraiser

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

It's a Movember moustache, but for Lord Mayor Pat Darte it's nothing new.

He first sported a moustache when he was 16 years old, and kept it for about the next 20 years, he said.

But there came a time when his wife (now ex-wife) decided she didn't like it, and made it a condition of having the fourth child he wanted, he said, so the moustache became a distant memory, until he was called upon to grow one for the team - the Niagara-on-the-Lake town team.

He's quick to say yes to fundraising for a good cause, he says, and although this isn't his favourite - he'd choose something that helps kids in need over prostate cancer any day - he agreed to be part of the town team to raise money for the Movember Foundation, a global charity committed to men's health issues, primarily focusing on prostate cancer.

Since 2003, millions have joined the men's health movement, raising $677 million and funding more than 1,000 projects for prostate cancer and testicular cancer research, mental health issues and physical inactivity.

For the month of November, men who participate allow a moustache to turn them into walking, talking billboard for men's health.

And while that wouldn't be at the top of his list, Darte says, it's an opportunity to raise awareness for all kinds of cancer support.

And like most people, he added, he's lost "too many, too soon."

Peter Todd, this year's organizer of the NOTL Team, said most of those who joined have a relative who has had experience with cancer.

This is the third year for the team. Last year, they raised almost $1,000, and he hopes to top that this year - with just a few days to go, he says he believes they can do it.

To donate, you can find the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake team at https://ca.movember.com/donate/find-results/.

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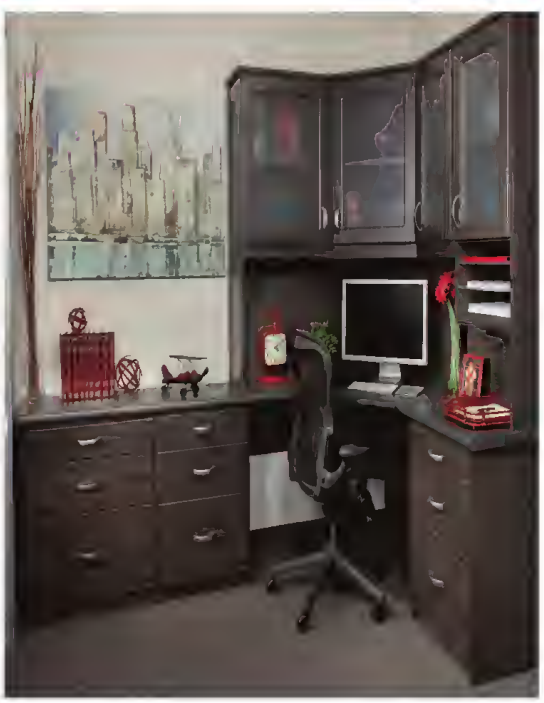

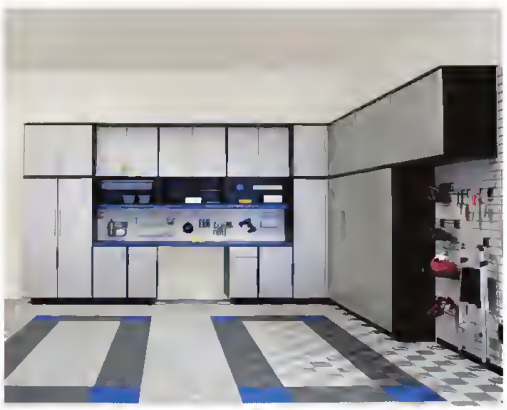

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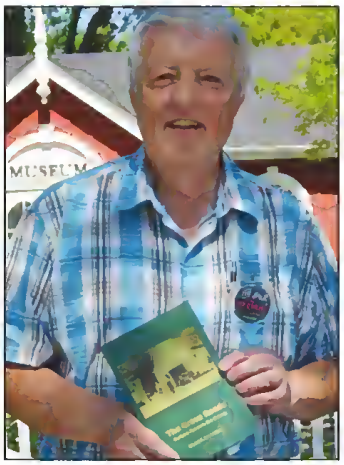

Local author David Hemmings will be at Penner's Home Hardware Building Centre Saturday to sign copies of his latest book, The Cross Roads, a portrait of the Virgil community.

Book signing at Penner's

David Hemmings, a local author of several books chronicling local history, will be at Penner's Home Hardware and Building Centre Saturday, Nov. 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., to sign his latest book, The Cross Roads.

The history of Virgil "brings together the available historical evidence of a time gone by and highlights the lives of early settlers and Mennonite refugees who have left a beneficial legacy in this community," says Hemmings.

Many of the people mentioned will be familiar to Virgil residents, "but this book offers a wider perspective of the community," he says.

The many photographs come primarily from the families themselves, and illustrate the way the people of Virgil, once known as Cross Roads, lived decades ago.

"The histories of these families offer many unique insights into a period for which living memories are fading fast," says Hemmings, who has focused on the lives and times of prominent residents and families he believes made contributions to Canada and the township.

Other books by Hemmings include Disappearing History of Niagara; Laura Ingersoll Secord; The House of McFarland; Lincoln Militia; Captured in the War of 1812; A Portrait of McNab; and Recollections . . . Stories of the NOTL Hospital Auxiliary.

Hemmings runs Bygones Publishing, a small company in town that publishes his books and those of other local authors.

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Trudi Watson and Sally Mitchell have filled the rooms of St. Mark's Rectory with Christmas and items and treasures for the Festive Emporium Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

St. Mark's hosts festive emporium at historic rectory

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

St. Mark's will be hosting its annual Festive Emporium Saturday, but with an added bonus - it's being held at the church rectory, the first time the historic home will be open to the public.

It's a unique building in a town of important historic homes, fashioned after a Tuscan villa of the early Regency period. Built in 1858, it is constructed of bricks that arrived from Britain as ballast in sailing vessels.

The original kitchen was in the basement, and the ground floor rooms were clustered around the main hallway and the staircase, which is a focal point of the first floor.

It's been renovated twice in recent years - once in the 1990s, by the Niagara Foundation, which took a long lease-back, to recoup restoration costs by renting out the house.

With the termination of that lease, the house became the home of then-rector Rev. Bob Wright and his family, and went through another major renovation with advice from the Willowbank School of Restoration Arts.

When Wright retired, the house became vacant, and presented the perfect opportunity to host the emporium and open the building to the public, says organizer Sally Mitchell.

This year's emporium is Saturday, Nov. 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

There are eight rooms in the rectory, four up and four down, and each has been decorated to the hilt for Christmas, and filled to bursting with Christmas items for sale.

It's been a huge effort by a group of church women and will involve many volunteers the day of the event, says Mitchell.

The modern kitchen, now on the main floor, will be overflowing with all manner of delicious baked goods.

There will be homemade frozen soup to take home, packaged with small loaf of artisan bread to make an inviting lunch.

There's a room for jewelry - lots of bling, some of it costume and fun for the holidays, some real, including a sterling silver Tiffany cuff bracelet.

The living and dining rooms, at the back, have been opened to be one large space, with beautiful household treasures, including silver, china, glass, lamps and mirrors.

The back porch will be open, and will have a number of fresh Christmas arrangements for sale.

There will be exotic jams and jellies, linens, 35 gift baskets, including children's gifts, clothing for men and women, children's toys, a gallery of prints, and some designer handbags.

The size of the rectory has allowed the emporium to grow, with double the space of Addison Hall, says Mitchell, "and it gives us the opportunity to profile this beautiful property. We hope people will come to see the building. We don't know what will happen to it in the future, once the church gets a new rector, so this might be the only occasion to see it."

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Queenston Christmas sale coming up

The Queenston Residents Association will hold its annual Christmas Decor and Bake Sale on Saturday, Dec 5 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Queenston Library.

Members of the QRA have been busy preparing their chicken casseroles and tourtieres, which have become a tradition in the village, for the upcoming sale.

Marilyn Armstrong and committee members help co-ordinate the yearly event, with many QRA members contributing their time and resources toward baking goods for the sale and donating Christmas décor items.

If anyone bas gently used Christmas items they wish to donate, they can drop them off at the Queenston Community Centre on the morning of Friday, Dec. 4, says Armstrong.

The sale features Christmas decor and decorations and baked goods. In addition, for those who pre-ordered their tourtieres and casseroles, they will be available for pick-up. While people shop, coffee and muffins will be available for sale.

Profits from the event are returned to the Queenston community.

About 120 casseroles and tourtieres are made each year, and at $20 each, always sell out. Armstrong says there is a limited number remaining if people would like to purchase one. To place an order, call her at 905-262-0268 or email her at armstrong@bellnet.ca. They can be picked up the morning of the sale.

Queenston Residents Association Arnie Lowenberger, Chicken Man Doug King, Adrian Schoot Uiterkamp, Marilyn Armstrong, Jonathan Kormos, John Pavoni and Rob Copeland made more than 100 chicken casseroles at the Armstrong home in Queenston, to sell as part of the annual Christmas fundraiser, which will be held Dec. 5. The chicken pies and tourtieres, at $20, must be pre-ordered and picked up at the Christmas sale.

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Brian Gilmour, IPM Agent, Queenston and St. Devids Golf Clubs.

Obituaries

BRUCE, Frances Margaret - Passed away peacefully, surrounded by her loving family at St. Catharines General Hospital on Wednesday, November 18, 2015. The beloved wife of Doug for 47 years. Dearly loved mother of James (Azza), Michael (Christine), Darren (Krista), Melanie (Jim) Bergman. Cherished Nana of Liam, Olivia, Malcom, Ethan, Lauren, Madeline, Ian, Genevieve and Calvin. Dearly loved sister of Bev and Ted. Fran was the warmest, most caring and generous light of the family and she will be sorely missed by all. A Celebration of Life will be held at the Pillar & Post, 48 John St. W., Niagara-on-the-Lake, Saturday, January 23, 2016 from 2-5 pm. Donations may be made to the Walker Family Cancer Centre. In lieu of flowers, Fran's wish is for you to plant a perennial and leave the flowers in all their beauty in your garden. Photos, memories and condolences can be shared online at:
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BARRY REID

Barry lost his fight with Alzheimer's disease Tuesday, November 10, 2015. Born in St. Catharines, Ontario on June 26, 1938 and raised in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, Barry was the son of the late Lois and Andrew Reid. Graduating from Stamford Collegiate Institute, Barry was a member of the famed Stamford Hornet's 1965 Cinderella Ontario Senior Boys Basketball Championship Team. For this, he was inducted into the Niagara Falls Sports Wall of Fame in 2013. Barry graduated from the University of Waterloo in 1963 with a BS in Chemical Engineering, participating in the co-op program with the Niagara and Welland Plants of Cyanamid. He earned his MBA from McMaster University in 1973. After his college graduation, he began his career at Cyanamid in Niagara Falls at the Welland Plant, immigrating to the United States in 1973 to work in Cyanamid's New Orleans' Fortier Plant. He then managed the Warner's Plant in Elizabeth, NJ, the Formica Plent in Cincinnati, Ohio and the Bound Brook Plant in Bound Brook, NJ. Barry ultimately became an executive in the Wayne, NJ headquarters. He was Vice President of Manufacturing and a member of the Management Team at Cytec Industries, a spin-off of Cyanamid. Barry later worked at the Cytec Industries BV Botlek-Rotterdam plant in The Netherlands. Barry was also a two-term Chairman of the Chemical Industry Council of New Jersey and honored for his role by both the New Jersey State Assembly and Senate.

A resident of Ridgewood, NJ since 1983, Barry was a parishioner of St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Ridgewood. He was a Sunday school teacher, had an integral role in Youth Ministry and was a mamber of the Church Vestry. Sue and Barry also returned to Ontario in 1999 and had a beautiful vecation home in Niagara-on-the-Lake until 2013. Barry was an avid runner. He completed over 25 Ridgewood Runs; was a proud participant and "Senior Pacesetter" of the Claremont Road Running Team, where he competed in the Wyckoff Triathlon; and after the age of 70, he ran three half-marathons.

Barry's friends often said that one could not ask for a more giving, loyal friend than Barry Reid. Berry is survived by his beloved wife of 52 years, Sue; his daughters Catharine Bruzzese of Chatham, NJ and Adrienne Fernandez, of Westwood, NJ; his four adoring grandchildren, Natalie, John, William and Sarah and nephew Bruce Reid Henwood of Calgary, Alberta. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to either the Alzheimer's Association Greater New Jersey Chapter, to find a cure for this terrible disease or to the Valley Hospice, in thanks for the compassionate end of life services they provide to the community. A Funeral Service was held at St. Elizabeth's Church, 169 Fairmount Road, Ridgewood, NJ on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at 10:30 in the morning. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Barry Reid please visit our Sympathy Store at:
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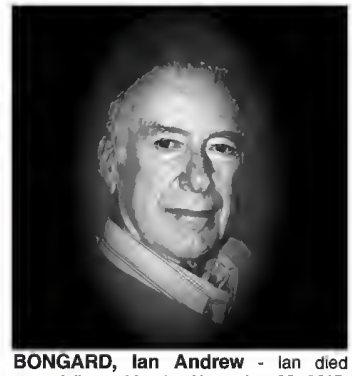

BONGARD, Ian Andrew - Ian died peacefully, on Monday November 23, 2015, in the arms of his family. He was the beloved husband and best friend of Nancy (nee Turville) for over 59 years. Deeply loved father of Rob and Trish and her husband John Godfrey and the adored grandfather of Ian Godfrey. Predeceased by his parents, Dorothy and Gordon Bongard. Survived by his brothers Gordon and Blair, first cousins Strachan Bongard and Elsie Falconer, all of Toronto. Lovingly remembered by Mary Ann and George Simpson, Bill and Sharon Turville and many nieces and nephews. Ian was born on May 25, 1928, in Toronto. He was a graduate of University of Toronto Schools, Royal Military College, Kingston and the University of Toronto and earned his degrees in Civil Engineering. He worked in the investment business his grandfather started; Bongard, Leslie. Ian was a sailor, an athlete and a sportsman and en early member of the Osler Bluff Ski Club, where he enjoyed skiing into his 81st year. The log cabin he end Nancy built ensured many years of fun and family memories. Ian was a gentleman and most importantly, he was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather. He will be deeply missed by his friends and family in Toronto and Niagara-on-the-Lake, where Ian and Nancy made their home for 35 years. Our family would like to say a special thank you to the staff at Upper Canada Lodge, who were kind, caring and compassionate for the past 26 months and exemplify what is great about our public health services. A service was held at St. Mark's Anglican Church. In lieu of flowers, donations to St. Mark's Anglican Church, or to Upper Canada Lodge Long Term Care Home, PO Box 1390, 272 Wellington St., Niagara-on-the-Lake, L0S 1J0 would be greatly appreciated. Memories, photos and condolences may be shared at:
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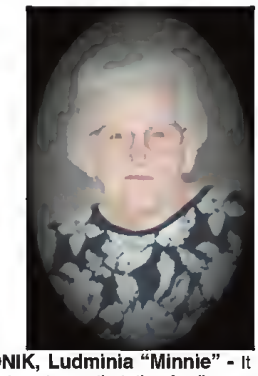

KONIK, Ludminia "Minnie" - It is with great sadness that the family announces the passing of Ludminia "Minnie" Konik, on Wednesday, November 18, 2015 at Chartwell Niagara, at the age of 93. Beloved wife of the late Walter Konik Sr. (Feb. 28, 2005). Dear mother of Rodney (Helen), Walter (Marian), all of Niagara-on-the-Lake, Richard (Carlisle), Rome, NY and Pam Stewart (Jim), St. Catharines. Loving grandmother of John-Paul Konik (Corri), Eric Konik, Lindsay Konik, Amanda Konik, Melissa Konik, Shane Dibble and Earl Dibble. Great-grandmother of Jaelen, Olivia, Tyler, Gabriel, Evan, Harley, River and Kyla and the late Janessa. Ludminia leaves behind many nieces and nephews in the United States. Predeceased by 5 brothers and 2 sisters. The family received friends at **MORGAN FUNERAL HOME**, 415 Regent St., on Monday, November 23, 2015. Funeral Liturgy was held at the funeral home on Tuesday, November 24, 2015 et 11 a.m. Cremation followed and a private family burial will take place at a later date in Niagara Lakeshore Cemetery. As an expression of sympathy those who wish may make a memorial donation to either Newark Neighbors or St. Vincent de Paul Parish - Alms Account. Memories, photos and condolences may be made at
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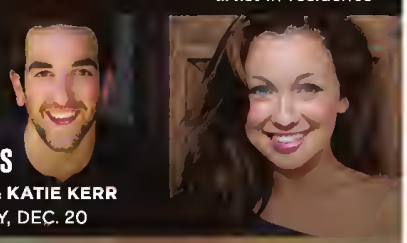

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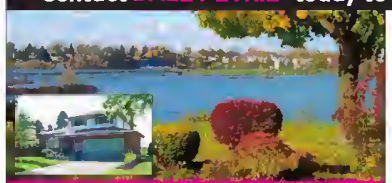

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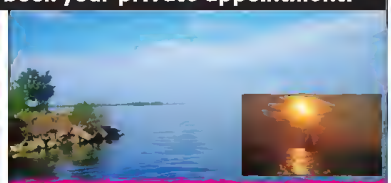

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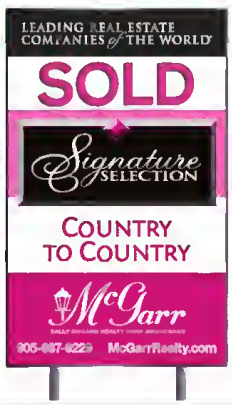

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